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1. ☒ The amendment filed on 15 March 2006 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

- a) ☐ entered.
- b) ☒ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
- c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.
Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.
- d) ☐ disapproved. See explanation below.
- e) ☐ entered in part. See explanation below.

Also, the Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) filed 12/10/03 & 01/14/04 have been received and all references cited therein have been considered by the examiner.

Attached herewith are copies of initialed PTO Form 1449 as requested by applicant.


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